Current affairs - October 2020

International:-

- 1. Jacinda Ardern's centre left -labour party, wins landslide victory in New Zealand's general elections.
- 2. Saad Hariri appointed as the P.M. of Lebanon.
- 3. Samsung chairman Lee Kun Hee dies at 88.
- 4. Sudan agrees to establish diplomatic relations with Israel after UAE and Bahrain do so.
- 5. The US Senate confirms Amy Coney Barrett as the Supreme Court's new judge.
- 6. E.U. agrees to impose sanctions on Russia for poisoning Russian opposition leader Navalny.
- 7. Bisher Khasawnesh sworn in as the prime minister of Jordan.
- 8. Earthquake in Turkey. Thirty killed.
- 9. Ex P.M. Nawaz Sharif addressed a huge rally in Pakistan, from London, blamed the army for his removal.
- 10. Pakistan continues to be in the Grey list of Financial Action Task Force (FATF).
- 11. 24 Killed in a bomb blast in a school at Kabul.
- 12. Massive bomb blast at seminary in Peshawar, Pakistan. 7 killed and many injured.
- 13. Azerbaijan and Armenia continue to be at war. 21 killed.
- 14. A teacher beheaded by a parent in Paris.

- 15. Tension between Turkey and France over cartoon of Erdogan in Charlie Hebdo magazine.
- 16. Three killed in the city of Nice in France in a terror attack.
- 17. Nobel prize 2020:
- *World Food Programme, honoured with the Nobel Peace Prize 2020.
- *Nobel prize for Economics was awarded to Paul R Milogram and Robert B Wilson.
- *Nobel prize for Literature was awarded to the American poetess Louise Gluck for her poetry.
- *Nobel prize for Chemistry was awarded to Emmanuel Charpentier and Jennifer A Doudna for developments in genome editing.
- *Andrea M.Ghez,Roger Penrose and Reinhard Genzel awarded with Nobel prize in Physics,for their research on black holes.
- *Harvey J.Alter, Charles M.Rice and Michael Houghton awarded with Nobel prize in Medicine for discovery of Hepatitis C virus.
- 18. Second wave of covid-19 in Europe, U.K. announces lockdown for a month.
- 19. Racial tensions in Philadelphia after police kill a black man.
- 20. NASA announces discovery of water on moon.

NATIONAL:-

- 1. Covid cases continue to rise. Unlock 5 guidelines remain in effect till November 30.
- 2. Global Hunger Index 2020, launched. India ranks 94th among 107 countries.
- 3. India slips below Bangladesh in 2020 per capita GDP ,says IMF.
- 4. P.M.Modi inaugurated world's longest Atal tunnel in Rohtang, Himachal Pradesh.
- 5. Sonu Sood rewarded with special humanitarian action award by UNDP.
- 6. Veteran writer and critic Dr.G.S.Amur passes away.
- 7. Union minister and LJP leader Ram Vilas Paswan passes away.
- 8. Polling for Vidhaan Sabha elections starts in Bihar amidst Corona virus, first phase concluded with 55% turnout.
- 9. P.M.Modi releases Rs.100 commemorative coin to honour Vijaya Raje Scindia.
- 10. India gets chairmanship of International Labour Organisation Governing Body after a gap of 35 years.
- 11. Vishal V. Sharma appointed India's next permanent representative to UNESCO.
- 12. NCP leader Sanjay Shinde dies of burns after his car catches fire in Nashik.
- 13. Mukesh Ambani topped the Forbes list of India's 100 richest person.

- 14. Republic T.V. found to be faking TRP ratings.
- 15. Centre passes bill that allows all Indian citizens to buy land in Jammu and Kashmir.
- 16. U.S. secretary of state Mike Pompeo visits India and signs important defence deals.
- 17. Bhanu Athaiya, the first Indian to have won an Oscar (for the costumes of Gandhi movie) dies.
- 18. Hizbul Mujahideen chief killed by security forces in J & K

SPORTS:-

- 1. Rafael Nadal wins French Open 2020, defeating Novak Djokovic.
- 2. Eoin Morgan becomes the new captain of KKR.
- 3. Indian team to Australia announced .K.L.Rahul is the vice-captain.
- 4. P.V. Sindhu quits National Camp for Olympics.
- 5. Kapil Dev suffers a heart attack, but has recovered now.